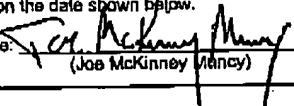


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated May 16, 2006, the due date for response having been extended one (1) month, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 4 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

An Appendix including amended drawing figures is attached following page 6 of this paper.

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